

Information Request No. 7: Response requested on July 27, 2022

- Please provide a copy of the corporate hiring strategy
- Please provide the two most recent copies of OCSPP's 90 day performance report (with redacted PII, as needed)
- Please provide details about any deliverables from the draft Statement of Work that OCSPP plans to complete under the human resources contract that will be in place by September 30, 2022.
- Please provide written responses to question number 8 (see below)

OPPT's 2021 Skills Gap Assessment included the following targets for the number of employees in OPPT.

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2025
OPPT	354.9	373.6	373.6

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EPA's *Justification of Appropriations for Committee on Appropriations* included the following budget request levels for its Toxic Substances: Chemical Risk Review and Reduction program project:

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Toxic Substances: Chemical Risk Review and Reduction	\$69.0 million	\$75.5 million	\$124.2 million

In testimony before the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works on June 22, 2022, Assistant Administrator Freedhoff stated, "In EPA's fiscal year 2023 budget request, the Agency asked for an increase of almost \$64 million and 200 FTE for the TSCA program, which reflects the budget and workforce analysis that the program conducted last year and that is further described in the report regarding EPA's capacity to implement TSCA that we expect to send to Congress soon."

- a. Please describe how EPA used its budget and workforce analysis to determine its FY 2023 budget request for its Toxic Substances: Chemical Risk Review and Reduction program project.

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b. Please provide any additional documentation that demonstrates how EPA determined its requested funding levels for its Toxic Substances: Chemical Risk Review and Reduction program project in FY 2023.

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Clarifications about the workforce data that EPA previously provided

- In the chart, the MCO top line appears to reflect the full total (i.e., MCO plus other occupations) instead of just the total for MCO. Please review the proposed MCO totals and correct them, as appropriate.

Occupations	FY20 Onboards	Hires	Departures	FY21 Onboards
Mission Critical Occupations	337	48	39	302
	Should be 143	Should be 25	Should be 19	Should be 148

- The table note indicates that the difference between FY20 and FY21 totals was a decline by 41. However, based on the totals provided in the total line the difference appears to be 35. Please clarify.
- Please clarify the change (increase/decrease) based on reassignments associated with the reorganization for 'other occupations', similar to what EPA provided for the MCOs.
- Please provide the following counts for the day before the reorganization (10/26/2020) and the day of/after the reorganization (10/27/2020): (1) total onboard; (2) onboard by MCO; and (3) onboard by 'other occupations'.
- Since the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 authorized the EPA Administrator to employ persons in OCSPP under 42 U.S.C. 20 authority starting in fiscal year 2022, we will wait to collect the number of hires employed under this authority until EPA provides final counts for FY 2022 after 9/30/22.

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* Zero.